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SUBJECT: JAMES COMYNS

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EMBASSY APPRECIATES USDOC'S PROMPT RESPONSE TO ITS
QUERIES RE: COMYNS AND SYRIAN GENERAL ESTABLISHMENT FOR
CEREAL TRADE AND PROCESSING. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT COMYNS'
EXPLANATIONS TO DATE HAVE NOT TOUCHED UPON CENTRAL PROBLEMS
IN CEREALS OFFICE'S COMPLAINT: THE FAILURE TO DELIVER
THE PROMISED JUTE BAGS AND TARPAULINS, AND COMYNS' ALLEGED
CASHING OF THE L/C'S USING PURPORTEDLY FALSE DOCUMENTS.
FYI: ABUHARB, COMYNS' FORMER AGENT HERE, DENIES COMYNS HAS
SETTLED WITH HIM. ACCORDING TO ABOUHARD, THE 53000 DOLLAR
SETTLEMENT WAS WITH ANOTHER DISGRUNTED SYRIAN ASSOCIATE
OF COMYNS, AND COMYNS STILL OWES HIM (ABOUHARB) APPROX.
130,000 DOLLARS. ABOUHARB SAYS HE HAS INSTITUTED COURT
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST COMYNS HERE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO RE-
CEIVING MORE INFORMATION ASAP FROM USDOC ON THIS PROBLEM
WHICH WE CAN PASS TO CEREALS OFFICE.
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